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Select Boetry.

The Merry Heart.

- Tis well to have a merry beart,
 However long we stay;
 There's wisdom in a merry heart,
 Whate'en the world may say.
 Philosphy may lift its bead
 And find out mruy's flaw,
 But give me the philosopher.
 That's happy with a stray;

- If fife but brings us happiness.
 It brings us, we are told,
 What's band to buy, the rich ones try,
 With all their heaps of gold.
 Then laugh away, fet others my
 Whate'er they will of mirth;
 Who laughs the most, may truly boast.
 Lee got the wealth of earth.

- Despite of wisdom's fears.

 And mixes the cheek less sorrow speak,
 The eye weep fewer fears.

- The sun may shrond itself in cloud.

 This tempest wrath begin:

 Its finds a spark to cheer the dark,
 Its sun ight is within;
 Then laugh away, let others say
 Whate or they will of mirth;
 Who laughs the most, may truly boast
 The's got the wealth of earth.

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From the New York Weekly Duspatch. Bread Upon the Waters.

DY HELEN FOREST GRAVES.

It was a gloomy room, in a crowded thnement house-low, narrow, and unwholesome—and a pale-faced child was its only inmate. She was a confirmed invalid—you might trace that in her hollow cheeks and the strange, unnatural lustre of her targe blue eyes-the flame of life was burning low on the altar of her childish being, yet here she w is alone. The old arm-chair in which she reclined was cushioned with one or two pillows, and a rude pine box was

That flower! it had been poor Katy's companion long. Its royal beauty and Inxuriance seemed strange and out of place in the squalid, low-ceiled room, vet it grew and flourished there, as if its roots had been nourished in the velvet sod of Bendemeer's stream. And little Katy lay back in her comfortless chair, and looked at the splendid rose tion. which quivered like a ruby drop among the leaves, and watched the sunlight writing its golden message on the crimson folds of the blossom with a vague feeling of wonder.

It was so strange that the radiant sun. whose glory lay on marble pillars and when you are pushed down in the race, stately dwellings far away, should come to peep into her lonely, lonely room! "Is that you, Jamie?" she said seftly, as the door opened, and a boy of

twelve came in. YYes. Do you feel any better, Katy? Are you tired of being left alone?" And the boy looked tenderly into her gone. blue eyes, and parted the auburn hair sching round my heart, and sometimes and sweetcake on his way. The genit seems all on fire. How cool your tleman walked leisurely up Broadway.

grapes over and above the medicine in their capacities for enjoyment; but that the dispensary doctor ordered for both were happy that night!

"Yes, we will, Katy," resumed her was listened to with interest. brother; "tain't often we taste anything you're ten years old to day. Besides, liked flowers!" you need something to put a shade of tempt your appetite."

He best down to kiss the marble

forehead as he spoke. "How lovely that rose is, to be sure! It's almost as company to you, Katy. isn't it? Are you willing I should leave you alone again for a little while.

"Yes, Jamie, I don't mind it much. she answered, with a deep, weary sigh

"but be back, love, as soon as you can. And her wistful, hollow eyes watched him from the room, with that earnest.

startling look that we only find beneath

the very shadow of Death. Down at the piers all was confusion the busy thoroughfare, and shone on and uproar—busy passengers harrying the magnificent marble erection devoted from newly arrived boats—turbid watirs dashing and rolling against mossy bruted bank of posts swaying crowds, and loud, dis-

sonant voices, created a small Bedlam velvet, and glittering brightly in the around the docks, and little Jamie wan-dered around with his board of fruit, door, waiting to take the great banker feeling very lonely and bewildered. He to his rich palatial home. The spirited had piled up the golden oranges with horse, foaming and prancing, could their sunniest sides upward—he had polished the red checked apples until ed wonderingly toward the door, and they shone like mirrors—yet nobody marveled why his usually punctual mas-

stopped to buy. "Take you to the twinkling, ma'am !"

"Ere's your 'Erakl, Tribune and Express. Latest steamer from Europe!-Have a paper, sir?" Poor Jamie! amid all this tumult,

bunch of grapes that he intended for twenty years had deadened the fine Katy, in Taylor's window

this possible customer was a fat, ill-tem- the sharp rejoinder. "I won't let you a bankrupt law against delinquents. pered, pussy old man, whose choler had in. ust been inflamed to fover heat by the here?" inadvertent descent of a heavy nailed The voice seemed to strike a respon-boot-heel on his favorite corn. At all sive chord in the rich man's heart times be considered orange boys a nui- surely he had heard its mild tones besance, but just now his slender quota fore. He partially opened the door, of patience was entirely exhausted .- and called out sternly : He simed a muttered oath and a furious blow at the fair-haired boy, and rushed if you please,"

next to enter a retreating omnibus. The abashed clerk obeyed, not with-

ing manner. A few apples rolled un-der the feet of the crowd, but it was "Sir, I fear that I intrude on your impossible to secure them again.

ready! The reflection was too much for his

-the money was intended for some ex- of the great banker. travagance, and I chose to lay it out thus. But remember this, my boyyourself up and start again!"

Jamie thought the smile with which this was said the pleasantest and kindest expression that ever brightened a out his thanks, the gentleman was,

Mot vory, but there is such a weary chase the cherished morsels of fruit Secing at a book-store the title of a "Never mind, Katy, I've been sawing newly-published work that he much dewood, and earned a whole quarter, and sired to read, his footsteps involuntarily I'm going to lay it out in apples and turned in that direction, but in an inoranges to sell down town. I'll make stant he went on, buttoning up his poca wint of money, and then won't we kets, and murmuring to himself with a have a good supper when mother comes smile, "Can't afford it-one luxury in a home from work? I shouldn't wonder day ought to be enough!" There was if we had a bit of cake and a bunch of a vast difference between man and child as priceless jewels, and now the time

The supper was a joyful ceremony Katy smiled and shook her head, as in the garret room that evening. Th if deprecating this piece of extrava- grapes pleased Katy's delicate appetite to a charm, and the story of the dollar

"I wish I could see the kind gentle but dry bread and cheese, and I haven't man." said the child, earnestly; "I forgotten that it's your birthday, sis— would give him my beautiful rose, if he

She looked strangely pretty that night color into these pale cheeks; the doc- her head resting on her brother's shoultor said you must have something to der, while Jamie fed her with the juicy berries, one by one, as a bird might

feed its young.
"Why, how bright the color in your cheek is " cried Jamie; "I believe you have been stealing the red shadows from claspings of tarnished gilt. your favorite rose. Mother, I am sure

Katy will get well." The next morning, while yet the gol-

the purple hills, little Katy died. The moss of twenty years had gathered upon Katy's head-stone—the vio-lets of twenty years had blossomed over her grave-and it was a glorious autumn day, whose light streamed along the magnificent marble erection devoted

A splendid carriage, cushioned with

Astor House?" "Up Broadway in a ling from the main bank, where the long desks. He had been looking over a so said was said before General Jackson little pocket-book which he always carried about him, for some note or bill, and as he turned its page, a bit of fold-

Don't you see you are not wanted

"Mr. Waters, show that gentleman in

valuable time. If you would buy some

to jest about in my want?"

take care of it for me.

The old man stood white and breath-

"My friend, my benefactor, you have forgotten me, but my youthful memory is stronger than yours. Is it possible don't stop to rub your bruises, but pick that you have no remembrance of me?" The old man shook his head.

by cheering words?"

"Is it possible?" stammered the old "Yes, it is possible. I am that forlorn boy. Your money, which that night supplied my dying sister with luxuries and pleasure, has proved the stepping-stone to my princely wealth. was a ragged, friendless boy, but my heart treasured up your kind words

has come when I may, in some measure, repay them with interest.' The old man moved his pale lips, as though he would speak, but the banker resumed instantly : "I am alone in the world; my moth-

er is dead, and my little sister, whose last words were of your kindness, has gone years ago to her eternal home. I owe overything to you, and now I have

favor to ask. "A favor and me!" "That you will henceforth allow me to provide for you, and consider me as your son. My carriage is at the door, and will take you wheresoever you wish

to go. But a moment first."
He took a tiny volume from his breast, bound in faded velvet, with "This book was my dead sister's Bi-

ble; it lay on her pillow when she died. and since that hour it has been my conden spear of sunrise was in rest among stant companion. There is a passage here that has been ever present in my mind since your kind deed gave hope and courage to my life."

He opened the volume, and, through soft mist of grateful tears, the old man read the Scriptural words: "Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days."

permission of a naval officer to his vessel.

Thomas H. Benton on the Fimancial Crisis - Sub Treasury ing a class so large, so influential and
upon authentic data; for the statistics
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To the Editors of the National Intelligencer : GENTLEMEN-Newspapers, desirous of the establishment of a National Bank ter did not come.

Mr. Arnet stood in a little office opening from the main bank, where the long rows of clerks were bending over their to remind all such papers has what was saw a prospect of restoring the curren-cy of the Constitution, and that after he saw that prospect he said nothing more in favor of banks, National a Seaso but

jections make against the stamp duty gold of the same amount would be valuwas in the expense and the extensive machinery for its collection. That was and added to, until enough is accumuanswered by providing a cheap and lated to make a purchase of something simple process for both purposes-a needed and useful. 8. It subjects the clerk in the Treasury Department for a payer to be cheated or worsted in superintendent of the business, and the change; for, giving paper in payment, clerks of the Federal Courts to deliver he must receive the change in other paout the stamps which they receive from per; and for that purpose the meanest, the Treasury. The amount of the duty, most ragged, dirty, and worthless will or only those to be suppressed, were him. In short, such are the evils, the rency, (for what more fit to be taxed press it accordingly. than the moneyed power?) the duty beoffice is so general at this time in our ly employ about two hundred millions, slit is not stated.

active against the unstamped notes, their of political economy show that nations cise Tax on Bank paper Small active against the unstamped notes, their of political economy show that nations notes-bank rupt in w for banks. circulation would be effectually check- can only use certain amounts of money,

WASHINGTON, C-street, Nov. 15, 1857. cracy was still more against the bank-ing country, where the employer needs rupt act, against bankrupt banks, than money incessantly to carry on his but prospect he said nothing more chants and traders were the proper sub-of banks, National State but jets of the bankrupt law, although eve-of his public life to restore and includes banks, (the bank of England duce to pay large demands. And there-

accomplished, and to these we are in- away and his bench was broken. And made with crops and bills of exchange of the finest and best coats in the ca-

was standing close to the edge of the pier, and mest of the fruit flew into the water, where it went bobbing up and down with the tide, in a most tantaliz
down with the tide, in a most tantaliz
was standing close to the edge of the "Will you take a chair sir?" politely now see: Nearly two thousand banks in the country, a great part of them frauds from the beginning, and the bad governing the good; a general suspendence and prosperi
The old man took off his hat, apolochild's foot-stool, and a solitary flower a supper, for he knew that his mother's old man, as he read, turning red and ranged, disordered and thrown out of and bring on the runs which break placed in the window seat, where the wages must go toward the rent of the sun-beams could touch its fair emerald room. They depended entirely on his exertions for their evening meal—and too much of a gentleman to make sport themselves for want of foundations, and they get alarmed they assemble by thouthe sun was declining in the west alit is, in this case of bank suspensions, which issued the notes, demand the mo-"Not at all, sir. You spoke of a as it is with a ship sinking at sea, where ney, break the banks, and propagate the boyish heart, and he was sobbing vio-lently, when a gentle hand was laid on cant, just outside the city, with four-lently who can. A stamp duty on their notes, comes general; for nothing is more conhis shoulder. He started up, and be-fore him stood a pleasant gentleman, and your daughter will occupy it, rent who had watched the whole transacmany of the base order of banks would base note, every one that is counterfeit, of bad banks, and the consequent run have been unable to "make currency" or on a broken bank, or on a bank that which their failure made upon the good dream. But as he looked around, he "There, my boy," he said, laying a silver dollar in the boy's hard palm. In an instant that will set you up again. No thanks his hands was taken in the warm clasp less, as if in a dream. In an instant for want of money to pay for stamps on never existed, although it will run for ones. The insolvent pulled down their saw that he wasn't at the board, and proper subjects for the bankrupt process it does, is sure to stop in the hands of States have put all on an equality; but temple. in the first few days of their existence, the poor and uninformed, upon that the solvent should repulse the associa-The restoration of the gold currency class least able to bear the loss, who tion. The living body should not be was effected under General Jackson's have no advantage from banks which tied to the dead one. The solvent administration; the establishment of the hard money currency for the Federal when they stop. 6. It excites to swind-"Yet it is folly to expect it when I Government and the keeping of its own ling; for knaves, with nothing but brass sound and the rotten, which the Legisam so changed. Listen, sir," he retreasuries were accomplished under Mr. for their capital, and that in their faces sumed, with a bright carnest smile; treasures were accomplished under Mr. for their capital, and that in their faces timent would then soon dispose of the Van Buren, both of which Presidents instead of their coffers, are induced to van know that?" "Received up, and public sentiment would then soon dispose of the van know that?" "Received up, and public sentiment would then soon dispose of the van know that?" "Received up, and public sentiment would then soon dispose of the van know that?" "Received up, and public sentiment would then soon dispose of the van know that?" "Received up, and public sentiment would then soon dispose of the van know that?" "Received up, and public sentiment would then soon dispose of the van know that?" "Received up, and public sentiment would then soon dispose of the van know that?" 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Have you for- tion of a stamp duty on all paper money ed; all that is so sunk being clear gains not look beyond the evil of the day, but from her forehead, with a loving touch. light and joyous heart, stopped to pur- gotten that a kind stranger stopped to under twenty dollars, and for a bank- to the manufacturer. 7. It induces and comfort him, not only by money but rupt act against defaulting banks. Bills even compels people to be wasteful of evils in the perspective, and to the legwere repeatedly brought into Congress their money; for such is the natural, for both purposes, but were always de- honest, and just contempt and distrust vide against evils before they happen, feated by the defection of the paper mo- ef small notes that he or she that reney wing of the Democratic party. | ceives one hurries off to lay it out for essary. A recurrence of such calami-The most plausible of the open ob. something not needed; while a piece of ties, in the view of all such, should be

> some diversity of opinion. The pre-dominant opinion was, that there should except the United States, place it in the be duty upon all notes issued as a cur- category of a criminal agent and sup-Twenty odd years ago, when we were the large ones could easily carry and currency to the government of the peothe small ones not. The amount of the ple, the ready objection, repeated by all our present Government are formed by ing the same on all notes, and such as laboring to restore the constitutional the small ones not. The amount of the duty was held necessary to be large—the friends of paper money, was, that far greater than in Great Britain; for there was not gold and silver in the disastrous and demoralizing effect of told him if she was dead the would mark the disastrous and demoralizing effect of told him if she was dead the best of the country of the co there no note is reissued; no one goes world to carry on the business of the out of the bank a second time, so that United States; and the ready answer to the duty in England is paid every time that objection was, that there was prethe bank puts out a note. Not so in eisely enough, and that exactly enough the United States. Here a note is re- would come to the United States if we issued until it is worn out-until it has would only create a demand for it by become too ragged to hold together, or correcting the gold standard, nake it too filthy to be handled, or too defaced the Government currency, and suppresto be deciphered. A small duty is, sing small paper. Only a part of these therefore, sufficient in Great Britain; it things have been done, and there have would require a very heavy one to be flowed into the United States, or been its equivalent in the United States .- obtained from our own mines, about Among the penalties for violating the four or five times as much gold as the act, either by issuing, receiving or pas-ing the unstamped paper, should be a ploy. The supply has been nearly a

some more, some less, according to their pursuits. Thus, a highly manufactur-

long, easily defeated all the bills. The and machinery, and where the opera- of a vest coat." open objection came from the lawyers, tives themselves need money daily for with their professional ideas, drawn the support of their families, the quanchiefly from British statutes, that mer- tity of money required is far greater bunch of grapes that he intended for Katy in Taylor, window to the contents of the standard of did business; and when any one became lions as the national demand; always re- revenge was concocted. They repaired The first three of these five parts were delinquent or criminal, he was driven membering that the great payments are to the store. The friend tried on one

Jamie sprang aside just in time to out surprise, and the bowed old man, much hard money as we had in the time of the late Bank of the United States; small paper money; they are palpable full upon his stock in trade, scattering came humbly into the private-room of and we are indebted to the wants of the mencement of the present panic; and was seized with a violent epileptic fit; two latter parts of the plan for what we meration: 1. It drives away all hard mencement of the present panie; and was seized with a violent epileptic fit: since that time more than twelve mil- he squirmed on his back towards the lions have arrived, and very little gone door; ground the dirt into the garmen.; out; so that three hundred millions tore it beside; "came too," took it off, governing the good; a general suspension, in a season of pence and prosperity; people forced to use depreciated paper when there is more hard money in the country then its hardman forms the country than its hardman forms the country would be the present estimate of the amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country would be the present estimate of the amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country would be the present estimate of the amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country would be the present estimate of the amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country would be the present estimate of the amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country would be the present estimate of the amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions to the field.—

Three hundred millions to the ideal and the was very sorry; and amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country would be the present estimate of the amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions amount of gold and silver in the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country—being one hundred millions more than the business of the country—being one hundred millions more than the business the sole support of her tiny, blue-yein-ed feet. There was no carpet on the moldering floor, and in more than one place door and window had yielded to the temoreeless hand of decay, and pre-eined a most diapidated aspect. Yet all the scanty furniture was arranged as let in an instant a feeling as possible, and there was possible, and there was even early as possible, and there was even forlorn wretchedness came over the was not an early as possible, and there was even forlorn wretchedness came over the was not an early as possible, and there was even forlorn wretchedness came over the was not an early than its business could emmorality for people, the country than its business could emmorality for people, the community; for people, the co Bank-the whole supply being then but nailed a witness, hammered a judge, and ten millions, and that all silver. Under these circumstances, (\$300,-000,000 of gold in the country, peace | ter. and prosperity throughout Europe and

America, great crops and good health,) there was nothing in the state of the The only solution of such a catastrophe is the obvious one, to wit : the failure

The solvent banks can and will resume, and that will satisfy those who do islative power whose duty it is to prorency, and a bankrupt law against bank-

rupt banks. There is not a monarch in Europe ical" and "picturesque" costume. who would treat his subjects, or suffer them to be treated, as the people of the United States are treated by the base mistress feeding a pet canary, asked part of their own banks, and the induland whether it should apply to all notes always be picked out and shoved upon gent Legislatures which legalize their hatch?" "Three weeks" was the reply. violations of law, promises and con- "Och, shure, that is the same as any questions on which there was room for crimes, the demoralization and cheating tracts. The issue of currency and its ither fowl, except a pig." regulation is an attribute of sovereignty, and everywhere is excicised by the they had suffered. They did their part plied the husband, "but the worst is I to save us. Shall we be false to our- cannot marry two sisters!" selves and them? Respectfully, THOMAS H. BENTON.

This is a grate prospect; as the a soul as lifeless as a corn crib, the gizprisoner said in peeping out of his cell zard of a goose, and a head as sappy. window.

One of our exchanges speaks of a "finished scamp." We wish they were all finished.

MYSTERIOUS .- "Lost, a brindle pup A hotel-keeper recently asked disqualification to retain or receive a thousand millions of dollars, and the belonging to Patrick McNell with his ermission of a naval officer to board Federal appointment; for the pursuit of business of the United States would on ears slit." How McNell get his ears

Heading the Jews. We are reminded by this of a circumstance mentioned by a friend, when laughed so much while he was narrating it that he could scarcely "get it out."
He was walking along Cathain street,
he said with a Connecticut friend. His friend wasn't green, although he looked against the stamp tax on notes; and, siness in the purchase of raw materials, exceedingly verdant. They were in the acting with the habitual opponents of and the payment of operatives, and in Jew quarter, and the Yankee was hailthe party to which they professed to be- the construction or repair of buildings ed to buy "an uncommon fine pattern

"What is the price?" "Three dollars."

"Oh! git cout! I'll give you twelve shillins.

"Can't do it; s'elp me God, cost more" that to make it-let alone the stuff." "I'll gin yer twelve shilling for that

accomplished, and to these we are indebted for twenty years' exemption—
from 1837 to 1857—from bank suspensions and depreciated currency; also for
carrying the country through a foreign
war—the Mexican War—without paper
money, and with the public securities
above par; also for having in the country at this time full fifteen times as
much hard money as we had in the time
of the late Bank of the United States;
small paper money; they are palpable

bored a whole court, all in one day, has since laid down law and turned carpen-

"What, my friends," cried the Rev. Doctor Knoxadus, as he preached country to justify the suspension, nor on the vanities of life-"what is monanything to justify its continuance .- ey?" And he gave the pulpit an awful

"Two per cent. a month," cried Solomon Wallstreet, waking from a deep solvent; and the Legislatures of several that he was a money-changer in the

> BED. A fat man undertook the task of teasing an eccentric preacher. "Do you believe" he said "the story of the prodigal son and the fatted calf?" "Yes" said the preacher. "Well was it a male or female calf that was killed?" "A felooking the interrogator steadily in the face, "I see the male is alive now.

> In passing through the streets a bier was struck against the corner of a house, and the corpse re-animated by the shock. Some years afterwards when the woman died in good carnest, her husband called out to the bearers, "I say, gentlemen, be careful in turning the corners."

> Men. A Detroit paper mentions the arrest of a woman in that city, "with nothing on her person but a love letter and a daguerreotype." Rather a "poet-

An Irish girl observing her

As an illustration of the tight. sovereign power, except in the United ness of the money market, and the lack States. Here, also, it was intended to of confidence among business men, a be an attribute of sovereignty, and was musical organ-grinder refused to displaced in the hands of Congress, and count notes, until he received a glass of

An ill-humored wife, abusing her paper money, and were anxious to save ry the d-l's oldest daughter if he could their posterity from such calamities as get anything by it. - "That is true," re-

> What! a man, and never in love? Pshaw! a man must have a heart of ice,

A subscriber to a moral reform paper called at the Northampton postoffice the other day, and inquired if the Friend of Virtue had come?-"No." replied the postmaster, "there has been no such person here for a long time."

What sea-going vessel is an ediiter most like? A clipper, to be sure.